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Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. Copies of any foreign patent documents or "Other Documents" are enclosed. Please note that some of the references were cited in an International Search Report dated October 17, 2006. A copy is enclosed.

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- ☐ The Examiner is hereby advised of the following co-pending U.S. applications. A copy of each U.S. patent application publication (if published) or application (if not published) is enclosed.

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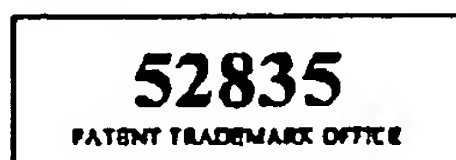
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	US 2002 023795	February 2002	NAGAI et al,				

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	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
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	JP 59103917	June 1984	JAPAN			Abstract	
	JP 2001 088763	April 2001	JAPAN			Abstract	
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